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Left Lane Violations Being Enforced

Washington State Patrol Chief Ronal Serpas announced today the Commercial Vehicle Division (CVD) is stepping up their enforcement of left lane violations by commercial motor vehicle drivers.

Sections of roadway in Washington State that restrict commercial vehicles from the left-hand lane are being targeted for enforcement. In King County alone, enforcement has increased by 85 percent in 2003 compared to 2002. As of September 2003, CVD officers have made 502 contacts for left lane violations.

Statewide, Commercial Vehicle Division officers have contacted 1,230 violators concerning left lane violations since the first of this year.

Revised Code of Washington 46.61.100, limits the use of the left lane on multiple lane highways by commercial motor vehicles, vehicles towing a trailer, and passenger cars.

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